

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

*The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:*

**What is claimed is:**

1. (Previously Presented) Nelumbinis Semen extract having antidepressive activity, which is prepared by extracting Nelumbinis Semen with water at 80-100°C for 1-3 hours.
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Currently Amended) The Nelumbinis Semen extract having antidepressive activity according to claim [[I]] 1, which is prepared by a method further comprising, after [[the]] a hot water extraction, filtering a resulting extract to be concentrated and freeze-drying a resulting concentrate.
4. (Currently Amended) The Nelumbinis Semen extract having antidepressive activity according to claim 1, wherein [[the]] a hot water extraction is carried out under reflux.
5. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition for treating depression, comprising the Nelumbinis Semen extract prepared according to claim 1 as an effective component.
6. (Previously Presented) A health food for treating depression, comprising the Nelumbinis Semen extract prepared according to claim 1 as an effective component.
7. (Cancelled)
8. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition for treating depression, comprising the Nelumbinis Semen extract prepared according to claim 3 as an effective component.

9. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition for treating depression, comprising the *Nelumbinis Semen* extract prepared according to claim 4 as an effective component.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Previously Presented) A health food for treating depression, comprising the *Nelumbinis Semen* extract prepared according to claim 3 as an effective component.

12. (Previously Presented) A health food for treating depression, comprising the *Nelumbinis Semen* extract prepared according to claim 4 as an effective component.